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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

JOHN R. DEMOS,

Plaintiff,

vs.

THE UNITED STATES, *et al.*,

Defendants.

3:10-cv-00583-ECR-VPC

**ORDER**

Plaintiff is a prisoner in custody in Washington and has submitted an incomplete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* along with a document styled "Admiralty Complaint" (docket #s 1, 1-1).

Plaintiff brings this action against the United States, the State of Washington, the District of Columbia, and additionally names the United States of America and Washington, D.C. Plaintiff alleges that he "was made the booty, and the prize, by "pirates" disguised as Washington state law enforcement officers," and also claims violations of several rights including to a speedy trial, to confront his accusers, and to be free from double jeopardy. He further claims he received inadequate medical treatment while in the custody of pirates.

In this case, none of the defendants reside in the District of Nevada, and plaintiff is an inmate in Aberdeen, Washington. Any events giving rise to the claim apparently occurred in Washington. Aberdeen, Washington is located in the Western District of Washington. Therefore, plaintiff's complaint should have been filed in a United States District Court for the Western District of Washington. In the interests of justice, a federal court may transfer a complaint filed in the wrong district to the correct district. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a); *Starnes v. McGuire*, 512 F.2d 918, 932 (D.C. Cir. 1974).

DATED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2010.

Valerie P. Weber  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE